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1. (LOU) APPRECIATE USTR'S REMINDER IN REFTEL OF THE IMPORTANCE DUSTR MOSKOW ATTACHES TO SEEING THE RIGHT PEOPLE HERE IN BEIJING. WE ARE WORKING TOWARDS THE GOAL OF SEEING THAT IT HAPPENS, BUT DOUBT THAT FINAL SCHEDULE WILL SHAPE UP BEFORE WEDNESDAY OF NEXT WEEK. A VICE PREMIER (MORE LIKELY TIAN JIYUN) AND VICE FOREIGN MINISTER LIU HUAQIU REMANNE OF SIBILITIES. AND

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WE ARE WORKING ON THEM. WE HAVE BEEN ASSURED MINISTER LI LANQING AND MOFERT VICE MINISTER WU YI WILL MAKE THEMSELVES AVAILABLE FOR SERIOUS DISCUSSIONS WITH DUSTR MOSKOW. OTHER VICE MINISTER-LEVEL OFFICIALS ARE BEING LINED UP FOR SESSIONS WITH AUSTR WOLF. THE TECHNICAL TALKS ARE ON TRACK AND (A GOOD SIGN) WILL BE LED ON THE CHINESE SIDE BY MOFERT DIRECTOR SUN ZHENYU, WHO HAS DECIDED NOT TO TRAVEL TO THE US WITH VICE MINISTER TONG ZHIGUANG.

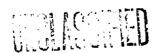
- 2. (LOU) IN THE MEANTIME WE PASS ALONG THE FOLLOWING REPORT OF THIS MORNING'S CONVERSATION WITH MOFERT OFFICIALS TO GIVE YOU A SENSE OF THE ATMOSPHERE IN WHICH WE ARE WORKING AT THE MOMENT.
- 3. (LOU) ECON MINCOUNS AND A/COMMCOUNS TRAVELLED TO BEIJING AIRPORT THIS MORNING TO SEE OFF MOFERT VICE MINISTER TONG ZHIGUANG, ON HIS WAY TO SAN FRANCISCO, DALLAS, AND OKLAHOMA. WE DO NOT USUALLY DO THIS, BUT IN THIS CASE WANTED TO GAUGE TONG'S SENSE OF THE CONFIDENTIAL

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4. (U) TONG, ACCOMPANIED BY MOFERT AMERICAN DEPUTY DIVISION CHIEF JIN LIGANG, WILL BE JOINED IN THE US SOUTHWEST BY OFFICIALS FROM CHINA'S NATIONAL OFFSHORE OIL COMPANY AND NATIONAL OIL AND GAS DEVELOPMENT COMPANY TO DISCUSS OIL PROJECTS IN CHINA WITH US FIRMS IN OKLAHOMA AND WIXAS. THE TRIP, TONG NOTED, IS DESIGNED TO PROMOTE AMERICAN SALES TO AND INVESTMENT IN THE PRC.





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